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FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS

ARIZONA

The number of farms and ranches in Arizona in 2013 totaled 19,600, down 400 operations from the revised 2012 estimate. Total land in farms in Arizona, at 26.2 million acres, was unchanged from the revised 2012 estimate. The average size of farm was 1,337 acres, compared to 1,310 acres the previous year.

COLORADO

The number of farms and ranches in Colorado in 2013 totaled 35,600, down 600 operations from the revised 2012 estimate. Total land in farms in Colorado, at 31.7 million acres, was down 1% from the revised 2012 estimate. The average size of farm was 890 acres, compared to 881 acres the previous year.

MONTANA

The number of farms and ranches in Montana in 2013 totaled 28,100, up 100 operations from the revised 2012 estimate. Total land in farms in Montana, at 59.7 million acres, was down less than one-half percent from the revised 2012 estimate. The average size of farm was 2,125 acres, compared to 2,136 acres the previous year.

NEW MEXICO

The number of farms and ranches in New Mexico in 2013 totaled 24,800, up 100 operations from the revised 2012 estimate. Total land in farms in New Mexico, at 43.2 million acres, was unchanged from the revised 2012 estimate. The average size of farm was 1,742 acres, compared to 1,749 acres the previous year.

UTAH

The number of farms and ranches in Utah in 2013 totaled 18,200, up 200 operations from the revised 2012 estimate. Total land in farms in Utah at 11.0 million acres, was unchanged from the revised 2012 estimate. The average size of farm was 604 acres, compared to 611 acres the previous year.

WYOMING

The number of farms and ranches in Wyoming in 2013 totaled 11,500, down 200 operations from the revised 2012 estimate. Total land in farms in Wyoming, at 30.2 million acres, was down 1% from the revised 2012 estimate. The average size of farm was 2,626 acres, compared to 2,598 acres the previous year.

UNITED STATES

The number of farms in the United States in 2013 is estimated at 2.10 million, down 7,000 operations from the revised 2012 estimate. Total land in farms, at 914.2 million acres, decreased 360 thousand acres from the revised 2012 estimate. The average farm size in 2013 is 435 acres, up 2 acres from the previous year.

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Revisions to 2008-2012 number of farms and land in farms estimates were made after a thorough review of the original survey data and the 2012 Census of Agriculture. The 2008-2012 estimates are considered final and will not be revised again.

USDA’S definition of a farm is “any place from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were produced and sold, or normally would have been sold, during the year”. Government payments are included in sales. Ranches, institutional farms, experimental and research farms, and Indian Reservations are included as farms. Places with the entire acreage enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP), or other government programs are counted as farms.

The definition of a farm was first established in 1850 and has changed nine times since. The current definition was first used for the 1974 Census.

For a full copy of the *Farms and Land in Farms* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov. For state specific questions please contact:

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